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SUBJECT: LOS: GENERAL DEBATE 9 JULY

1. ZAIRE. DEPUTY HEAD OF DELEGATION DELIVERED RELATIVELY NON-SPECIFIC ADDRESS, WHICH GENERALLY FOLLOWED OAU POSITIONS, BUT ADDED TWO SIGNIFICANT POINTS (A) PRAISE FOR IMCO FOR ITS QUOTE
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ENORMOUS WORK UNQUOTE; AND (B) ADVOCATION OF FREE TRANSIT IN

STRAITS USED FOR INTERNATIONAL NAVIGATION.

2. FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY. AMBASSADOR K.H. KNOKE, NOTING SHORT COASTLINE, INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO DISCUSS PRINCIPLE OF 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE AS LONG AS COASTAL STATE PREFERENTIAL RIGHTS DO NOT INTERFERE WITH NAVIGATION. REGARDING EXPLOITATION IN THE ZONE TRADITIONAL FISHING RIGHTS MUST BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT. KNOKE EMPHASITICALLY REJECTED UNILATERAL EXTENSIONS OF ZONES UNTIL NEW CONVENTION GETS GENERAL ACCEPTANCE. HE URGED CREATION AND STRENGTHENING OF FISHERIES ORGANIZATIONS ON REGIONAL BASIS TO EXERCISE REGULATORY POWERS TO WHICH COASTAL STATES MUST ADHERE.

3. LIBERIA. ROLAND BARNES URGED CREATION OF MACHINERY FOR AREA BEYOND NATIONAL JURISDICTION WHICH RELATES TO UN SYSTEM BUT MAINTAINING POLITICAL AND FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE. THE AUTHORITY WOULD HAVE RIGHT TO EXPLORE AND EXPLOIT THE AREA AND REGULATE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH. LIBERIA ADVOCATES QUOTE FREEDOM OF PASSAGE UNQUOTE FOR STRAITS, 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE, 12 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA, SOVEREIGNTY OVER RESOURCES IN ZONE, AND COASTAL STATE CONTROL OVER POLLUTION STANDARDS AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN ZONE PURSUANT TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.

4. DENMARK. PER FERGO STATED STRAITS LESS THAN 6 MILES IN BREADTH, WHERE FREE PASSAGE HAS NEVER EXISTED, MUST CONTINUE TO BE SUBJECT TO SPECIAL ARRANGEMENTS. EQUITABLE RULES, BALANCING COASTAL STATE INTERESTS AND RIGHTS OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, SHOULD SECURE FREE PASSAGE. FERGO URGED STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES ORGANIZATIONS AND ENSURING THEY CONTINUE TO FUNCTION. IN ENCLOSED AND SEMI-ENCLOSED SEAS IT SHOULD BE OBLIGATORY FOR COASTAL STATES TO ESTABLISH REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS TO SUPPLEMENT GLOBAL RULES TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT TRADITIONAL FISHING RIGHTS OF NEIGHBORING STATES AND GEOGRAPHICALLY DISADVANTAGED STATES. DENMARK DOES NOT ACCEPT CONCEPT THAT COASTAL STATE SHOULD CONTROL ANADROMOUS SPECIES THROUGHOUT THEIR RANGE AND, CONSIDERING IT SPECIAL PROBLEM FOR FEW STATES, MORE SUITABLE FOR BILATERAL AGREEMENTS THAN GLOBAL CONVENTION. SPECIAL STANDARDS ON POLLUTION CONTROL SHOULD BE PERMITTED IN AREAS OF PARTICULAR DANGER.

5. LEBANON. AMBASSADOR HADDAD EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR 12 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA, 200 MILE EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE WITHOUT INFRINGMENT ON FREEDOM OF NAVIGATION INCLUDING STRAITS.

6. AFGHANISTAN. GOA REP EMPHASIZED INTERESTS OF GOA AS A LAND-LOCKED STATE. AS IN KAMPALA DECLARATION, RIGHT OF ACCESS TO AND UNCLASSIFIED

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FROM THE SEA WAS TERMED A CARDINAL PRINCIPLE OF INTERNATIONAL LAW THAT SHOULD NOT BE DEPENDENT ON BILATERAL OR REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS. LANDLOCKED STATE ACCESS TO WEALTH OF COASTAL ECONOMIC ZONE WAS ALSO FAVORED.

7. SINGAPORE. REP. CHAO HICK TIN STATED GOS SUPPORT FOR UNIMPEDED PASSAGE OF STRAITS BY COMMERCIAL VESSELS WITH OBLIGATION NOT TO DISCHARGE ANY POLLUTANTS IN STRAIT AND OBLIGATION TO OBSERVE POLLUTION REGULATIONS WHICH WOULD BE ESTABLISHED BY STRAITS STATES

IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS SET BY LOS CONFERENCE OR ELSEWHERE, AND TRAFFIC SCHEMES DEVISED BY STRAITS STATE. THE SAME REGIME WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE FOR SURFACE MILITARY VESSELS WITH QUOTE PERHAPS SOME MODIFICATION UNQUOTE. NOTIFICATION OF SUBMERGED TRANSIT IS ACADEMIC PROBLEM FOR GOS BECAUSE OF SHALLOW STRAIT BUT RECOGNIZED AS NON-ACADEMIC PROBLEM OFR OTHER STRAITS STATES. ON ARCHIPELAGOS, CHAO SAID TRADITIONAL RIGHTS OF NAVIGATION SHOULD BE MAINTAINED WITH APPROPRIATE PROTECTION FOR ARCHIPELAGIC STATE. SINGAPORE, AS A GEOGRAPHICALLY DISADVANTAGED STATE, SEEKS TO OBTAIN EQUAL ACCESS TO THE LIVING RESOURCES OF THE ECONOMIC ZONE OF NEIGHBORING COASTAL STATES. SUCH AREAS WOULD NOT BE DEPENDENT ON BILATERAL OR REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS AND THE COASTAL STATE WOULD HAVE JURISDICTION TO LAY DOWN RULES OF CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT. GOS SUPPORTS REVENUE SHARING IN COASTAL ZONE WITH RESPECT TO NON-RENEWABLE RESOURCES.

8. NIGERIA. GRAHAM-DOUGLAS SAID GON CONTINUES TO SUPPORT 30 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA AND 200 MILE ECONOMIC ZONE BUT CONCEDED THE VALUE OF A 12 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA WITH 18 MILE CONTIGOUS ZONE AS A VALUABLE EXERCISE IN COMPROMISE. IN COASTAL ECONOMIC ZONE, GON POSITION IS COASTAL STATE EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OVER ALL RESOURCES WITH NO DISTINCTIONS AMONG RESOURCES OR CLASSES OF RESOURCES. CONCURRENT OR PREFERENTIAL EXPLOITATION RIGHTS WOULD ONLY RESULT FROM BILATERAL OR MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS. ON LANDLOCKED ACCESS TO SEA, GON HAS PROVIDED BORDERING LANDLOCKED STATES WITH ALL FACILITIES AND RIGHTS OF ACCESS AND SUPPORTS WELL-DEFINED RIGHTS OF ACCESS IN LOS CONVENTION. SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH IN COASTAL ZONE WOULD BE SUBJECT TO COASTAL STATE CONSENT. GON RESERVED ITS POSITION ON DEEP SEABEDS ISSUES WHILE ENDORSING UNGA RES 2749 (XXV). INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITY SHOULD, HOWEVER, BE INSULATED FROM GREAT POWER POLITICS. GON POSITION ON STRAITS ALSO RESERVED FOR A LATER TIME.

9. NETHERLANDS. RIPHAGEN EMPHASIZED KINGDOM OF NETHERLANDS INCLUDES ANTILLES AND SURINAM. VERY GENERAL CATALOGUE OF DUTIES OF UNCLASSIFIED

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STATES FOLLOWED. EMPHASIS ALSO PLACED ON ABSENCE OF CORRELATION BETWEEN EXTENSION OF COASTAL JURISDICTION AND DEVELOPMENT LEVEL OF COASTAL STATE. ARBITRARY EXPLOITATION OF DEEP SEABEDS, SUCH AS FIRST-COME-FIRST-SERVE SYSTEM NOT APPROVED. REVENUE SHARING IN COASTAL AND INTERNATIONAL SEABED AREAS STRONGLY SUPPORTED. GON ALSO NOTED WITH APPROVAL THE KAMPALA DECLARATION, AND SUPPORTED COMPULSORY SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES.

10. UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. SUPPORTS 12 MILE TERRITORIAL SEA AND 200 MILE COASTAL ECONOMIC ZONE. QUOTE FREE UNIMPEDED NAVIGATION UNQUOTE OF INTERNATIONAL STRAITS AND FREE NAVIGATION IN ECONOMIC ZONE ALSO FAVORED.

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